

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be made prior to substantive examination of the present application.

Status of Claims:

No claims are currently being added.

Claim 10 is currently being canceled.

Claims 11 and 12 are currently being amended.

This amendment cancels and amends claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claims remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 1-3 and 11-13 are now pending in this application.

Claim Rejections – Prior Art:

In the Office Action, claim 10 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0002674 to Rosen et al. Due to the cancellation of claim 10, this rejection is now moot.

Indication of Allowable Subject Matter:

Applicant appreciates the indication of allowable subject matter made in the Office Action with respect to claims 1-3 and 11-13. By way of this amendment and reply, claims 11 and 12 have been amended to place those claims in independent form, and thus claims 11-13 are now in allowable form.

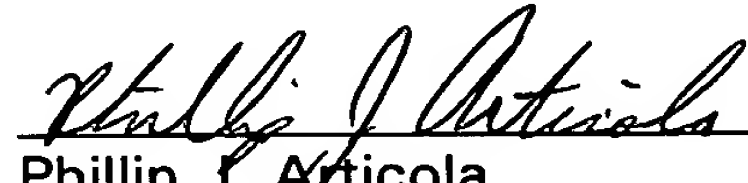
Conclusion:

Since all of the objections and rejections raised in the Office Action have been addressed in this Amendment and Reply, this application is now believed to be in condition for allowance, and an early indication of allowance is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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